

REMARKS

Election/Restrictions

In this Office Action, the Examiner sets forth a restriction requirement and asserts that the present application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species:

Species I: Figs. 1-10;

Species II: Figs. 11-12;

Species III: Figs. 13-14;

Species IV: Figs. 15-16


Species V: Figs. 17-18

Response to the restriction requirement mailed on May 23, 2006, Applicants hereby elect Species I, (Figs. 1-10), which claims 1-11 are readable thereon, without traverse. This election is made without prejudice to Applicants' right to file divisional applications directed to the non-elected inventions, should such divisional filings become appropriate. Also, Applicant notes that claim 1 is generic to all claims. Therefore, if the Examiner determines that claim 1 defines over the prior art, then all claims 1-19 should be examined.

A prompt and favorable action on the merits of this application is now respectfully requested.

No fee is believed to be due in connection with this amendment and response. If, however, any fee is deemed to be payable, you are hereby authorized to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

Respectfully submitted ,

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